



Request for City Council Committee Action

Date August 6, 2003

To Public Safety and Regulatory Services Committee
Referral to Ways and Means Committee

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Approved by Robert K. Olson, Chief of Police, _____

Subject 2003 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Application

Presenters in Committee Sharon Lubinski, Deputy Chief, North Field Services, Police Department

Recommendation

The Police Department respectfully requests permission to proceed with the application to the U.S DOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance 2003 Local Law Enforcement Grant Program to enhance Police Department and City Attorney operational capabilities.

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

☒ No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves

☐ Other financial impact (Explain):

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

The Police Department requests permission to proceed with an application to the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance under the federal 2003 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG). The city's block grant allocation is for \$852,798 to be expended over the next two years, with a required local match of ten percent. This total grant amount will be shared with Hennepin County, with the match to be shared proportionately with the county. As in each of the previous six years, Minneapolis will share 43% of the grant total with the county. Under this application, the city will apply for \$486,095 in grant funds, requiring a match of \$54,011. The City Attorney's Office will receive \$325,00 of the city's award and the Police Department will retain \$161,095. The Police Department proposes to provide some its share of the local match from seizure funds, the City Attorney's Office will identify matching funds for their portion of the award.

Funds awarded under this Block Grant will be used to enhance the operational capabilities of the Police Department and provide staff support in the City Attorney's Office to respond to misdemeanor violations and citations made by the Department's Community Response Teams and CODEFOR.

The completed application is due in the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance by August 28, 2003. Council approval must be received prior to this date for the application to proceed.